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1. Particles of a solid comprising an oil field production chemical, said solid carrying a coating, which comprises a dispersing agent, the weight of said coating being 0.1-10g coating per 100g of the particles.
2. Particles according to claim 1 wherein the coating also comprises a polymer.
- 5 3. Particles according to claim 1 wherein the dispersing agent is polymeric.
4. Particles according to claim 3, wherein the oil field production chemical is a polar organic compound.
5. Particles according to claim 4 wherein the oil field production chemical and the polymeric dispersing agent do not have the same charge.
- 10 6. Particles according to claim 3, wherein the dispersing agent is neutral, basic or cationic.
7. Particles according to claim 6 wherein the oil field production chemical is a polymeric anionic compound and the dispersing agent is non ionic, basic or cationic.
- 15 8. Particles according to claim 3 wherein the polymeric dispersing agent is of the comb type.
9. Particles according to claim 3 wherein the polymeric dispersing agent has an organic backbone with pendant hydrophilic and hydrophobic groups.
10. Particles according to claim 3 wherein the polymeric dispersing agent has a
- 20 polar organic backbone with pendant hydrophobic groups.
11. Particles as claimed in claim 3 wherein the polymer is an oligomeric polyacid polyester or amine derivative thereof.
12. Particles as claimed in claim 1 wherein the coating comprises a surfactant.
13. Particles as claimed in claim 12 wherein the surfactant is a polymeric or
- 25 monomeric alkoxylated alcohol or phenol.
14. Particles as claimed in claim 12 wherein the surfactant is a polymeric ether.